

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	DOCKET NOS. E-21273 E-21424
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**ORDER GRANTING PETITION TO WITHDRAW,  
ACCEPTING EXHIBITS AND CLOSING DOCKET**

(Issued March 21, 2000)

On January 4, 1999, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed a petition for extension of franchise, identified as Docket No. E-21424, for 2.00 miles of 161 kilovolt (kV) nominal electric transmission line in Mills County. On December 27, 1999, MidAmerican filed a request to withdraw the petition. In support of its request, MidAmerican stated the line to be refranchised was extended on April 4, 1996, in Docket No. E-21273, as a result of a countywide franchise extension of franchise for Mills County.

By letter dated December 30, 1999, Board Staff notified MidAmerican the description of the route filed in Docket No. E-21424 was inconsistent with the route in Docket No. E-21273. On January 21, 2000, MidAmerican filed revised page 2 of 9, line 22, of Exhibit A and Exhibit B-2 in Docket No. 21273.

The Board has reviewed MidAmerican's request to withdraw the petition and will grant it. The franchise for the two-mile section of line has already been extended so MidAmerican's petition is unnecessary and the docket can be closed.

Additionally, MidAmerican's revised exhibits reveal the route is actually centered on the section line and not on one side as shown in the previously filed exhibits. The Board finds the revised exhibits more closely reflect the actual location of the line. Therefore, the Board will accept Exhibits A and B and close Docket No. E-21424.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. The request to withdraw the petition filed in Docket No. E-21424 on January 4, 1999, by MidAmerican Energy Company is granted.
2. Revised Page 2 of 9, line 22, of Exhibit A and Exhibit B-2 filed in Docket No. 21273 by MidAmerican Energy Company on January 21, 2000, are accepted.
3. Docket No. E-21424 is closed effective the date of this order.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr.      /s/ Diane Munns  
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2000.